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FOR: ***Method and System for Linking Legacy DVD Discs to Related Web Sites.***

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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, having a mailing date of October 23, 2009, this paper is being filed within one (1) month (up to and including November 23, 2009) of the mailing date of said Notice and Applicant requests the following be entered into the record.

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REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief has been reviewed and reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the amended sections of the Appeal Brief of record submitted, herein.

In asserting that the Appeal Brief of record is non-complaint, the Notice states that the "brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims." Boxes 2 and 10 are both checked.

Pursuant to the instructions provided in box 10 (i.e., the entire brief is not required, only the section that was found defective), Applicant submits sections III (Status of Claims) and IX (Claims Appendix), herein. Section III has been amended to refer to the status of claims 2, 12, 15-10 and 22, which were removed from consideration prior to filing the Appeal Brief. Section IX has been amended to include the last status identifiers for each of the claims.

For the amendments made to the Appeal Brief regarding the status of the claims, applicant submits that the reason for the issuance of the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief has been overcome. Entry of the amended sections and withdrawn of the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief is respectfully requested.

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In the event the Examiner deems personal contact desirable in the disposition of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone given below.

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III. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1, 3-11, 13, 14, 21, 23-31, 33 and 38-40 have been presented for examination. All of these claims are pending, stand finally rejected, and form the subject matter of the present appeal. Claims 2, 12, 15-10 and 22 have been cancelled and are not the subject of this appeal.

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IX. CLAIMS APPENDIX

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1. (Previously presented) A WebDVD player, comprising:

a local database including at least a plurality of universal resource locators (URLs) associated with corresponding ones of a plurality of websites associated with corresponding ones of a plurality of content providers, a plurality of expected title identifications associated with corresponding ones of said plurality of content providers, and a list of methods for deriving a title identification, said methods consisting of at least one of a read operation and an algorithmic operation;

means for deriving a title identification (TitleJD) of a legacy DVD disc, the TitleJD being a unique identifier of a title of the legacy DVD disc, wherein the TitleJD is derived in accordance with one of said methods specified in the database; and

means for linking the disc to a related web site based on the derived TitleJD.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Previously presented) The player of claim 1, further comprising means for determining whether the derived TitleJD matches an expected title identification value indicated in the database that is associated with the specified method.

4. (Previously presented) The player of claim 1, further comprising means for retrieving a universal resource locator (URL) in the database that is associated with the expected title identification value if the derived TitleJD matches the expected title identification value.

5. (Previously presented) The player of claim 1, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading a unique identifier from a pre-selected location of the disc.

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6. (Original) The player of claim 5, wherein the pre-selected location is a burst cutting area (BCA).

7. (Original) The player of claim 5, wherein the pre-selected location is a private data sector.

8. (Previously presented) The player of claim 1, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading a Volume Set ID in a Universal Disc Format (UDF) file system of the disc.

9. (Previously presented) The player of claim 1, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading selected data available on the disc.

10. (Original) The player of claim 1, further comprising:

means for retrieving a provider unique identification (PVRJD) from the disc;

wherein the TitleJD is derived based on the retrieved PVRJD of the disc.

11. (Previously presented) The player of claim 10, further comprising:

means for determining whether the retrieved PVRJD matches a corresponding URL in the list; and

means for searching through the title identifications in the table that are associated with the corresponding URL for finding a matching TitleJD.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously presented) The player of claim 12, wherein if the derived TitleJD fails to match any expected title identification in the table, the linking

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means links the disc to a general web site of a content provider using the corresponding URL.

14. (Previously presented) The player of claim 12, further comprising:
- means for accessing a source web site, if the derived TitleJD does not match any expected title identification in the table, the source web site containing a database which includes a list of universal resource locator (URL) links to related web sites and their associated PVRJD and TitleJD;
 - means for searching a corresponding URL in the source web site database based on the retrieved PVRJD and derived TitleJD; and
 - means for linking the disc to a related web site using the corresponding matching URL.

15. -20 (Cancelled)

21. (Previously presented) A method for linking a legacy DVD disc to a related web site, the method comprising the steps of:
- populating a local database to include at least a plurality of universal resource locators (URLs) associated with corresponding ones of a plurality of websites associated with corresponding ones of a plurality of content providers, a plurality of expected title identifications associated with corresponding ones of said plurality of content providers and a list of methods for deriving a title identification, said methods consisting of at least one of a read operation and an algorithmic;
 - deriving a title identification (TitleJD) of the disc, the TitleJD being a unique identifier of a title of the disc, wherein the TitleJD is derived in accordance with one of said methods specified in the database; and
 - linking the disc to a related web site based on the derived TitleJD.

22. (Cancelled)

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23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of determining whether the derived TitleJD matches an expected title identification value indicated in the database that is associated with the specified method.
24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of retrieving a universal resource locator (URL) in the database that is associated with the expected title identification value if the derived TitleJD matches the expected title identification value.
25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading a unique identifier from a pre-selected location of the disc.
26. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the pre-selected location is a burst cutting area (BCA).
27. (Original) The method of claim 25, wherein the pre-selected location is a private data sector.
28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading a Volume Set ID in a Universal Disc File (UDF) file system of the disc.
29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said method of deriving the TitleJD comprises reading selected data available on the disc.
30. (Original) The method of claim 29, further comprising the steps of:
retrieving a provider unique identification (PVRJD) from the disc;

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wherein the TitleJD is derived based on the retrieved PVRJD of the disc.

31. (Previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:

 determining whether the retrieved PVRJD matches a corresponding URL in the list; and

 searching through the TitleJD in the table that are associated with the corresponding URL for finding a matching TitleJD.

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 32, further comprising the steps of:

 accessing a source web site, if the derived TitleJD does not match any expected title identification in the table, the source web site containing a database which includes a list of universal resource locator (URL) links to related web sites and their associated PVRJD and TitleJD;

 searching a corresponding URL in the database based on the retrieved PVRJD and derived TitleJD; and

 linking the disc to a related web site using the corresponding matching URL.

34. -37. (Cancelled)

38. (Original) The player of claim 14, further comprising means for periodically updating the database and the table stored by the storing means with information from the source web site.

39. (Original) The player of claim 14, further comprising means for caching an address of a website address each time the web site is accessed.

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40. (Original) The player of claim 14, further comprising means for allowing a user to manually update the database and the table stored by the storing means with new information.